



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Applicant: SMITH, Rixford

Serial No.: 10/710,803

Examiner: Hayes, Bret C..

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Group Art Unit 3641

Title: GUN BARREL FOR LAUNCHING PROJECTILES

Attorney docket no.: 50126-8

Honourable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks,  
Washington, D.C. 20231,  
U.S.A.

Sir:

**RESPONSE and AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action of December 21, 2005, applicant elects with traverse the claims 1-25 and the species shown in Figures 1A, B and C for prosecution on the merits. This election is made without prejudice to adding additional claims to a species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all of the limitations of the allowed generic claim, and to filing a divisional application at a later date directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims.